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#### DAY NAMES POWER TO NEW DFA POST

The assignment of Edward A. Power to serve as Chief of the Branch of Material Facilities of the recently established Defense Fisheries Administration was announced today by Administrator Albert M. Day.

Mr. Power served in a somewhat similar capacity in World War II when he was detailed from the Fish and Wildlife Service to the Office of the Coordinator of Fisheries in Washington, D. C., to assist in handling priorities and materials equipment requirements for the fishing industry.

The new Branch of Material Facilities, Mr. Day explained, will be concerned with determining the requirements for materials necessary to maintain fish production and to pass on the applications for the materials that will be made available to the Defense Fisheries Administration.

Mr. Power has been Chief of the Statistical Section of the Branch of Commercial Fisheries since 1938. His employment with the Fish and Wildlife Service dates from 1928 when, prior to his graduation from the University of Washington's School of Fisheries, he was employed in Alaska by the Branch of Alaska Fisheries.

In 1929, after graduation, Mr. Power was engaged in salmon research in the Aleutians for the Service's Branch of Fishery Biology. In February 1930 he transferred to the Branch of Commercial Fisheries and during the following six years he was assigned to statistical activities in the Pacific Northwest. In October 1935 he transferred to the headquarters office of the Service in Washington, D. C.

Mr. Power was born in Oak Harbor, Whidby Island, Washington. He is married, has two children, and now lives at 751 Silver Spring Avenue, Silver Spring, Maryland.

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